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RESPONSE

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In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed November 13, 2001, the requirements set forth in that notice are hereby traversed.

The Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed November 13, 2001, indicates that substitute drawings are required because the "drawing figures contain text that is not in English". In response to that requirement it is noted that Figures 5 and 7 do show non-English text. However, that non-English text is desired to be shown in those figures as the non-English text in those figures merely shows a representation of generic text data, and the meaning of the non-English text is irrelevant for the figures or to understand the invention. Stated another way, the non-English text shown in the figures does not convey any information to understand the figures or the invention, but merely is a representation of how data is displayed on different pages. Thus, the use of the non-English text is not improper.

In such ways, the requirement for substitute drawings is traversed as the drawings as currently filed are proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Filing Date Granted

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing figures contain text that is not in English (including, for example, a flow chart that was originally not in English that has been marked up to include the English text) see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1);

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

RESPONSE, Notice to File Corrected Application Papers

Our check in the amount of -0is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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